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To whom it may concern:

It is becoming rapidly apparent that our world is on the brink of many turning points. From terrorist threats to political fiascos, we are experiencing the most turbulent time in our nation's history. If there is any security that we Americans have, it's in knowing that there are competent men and women of integrity running the government and judicial system. Of course, that ideal rarely graces our reality when there are riches involved.

Needless to say, I was not at all surprised by the latest developments in the Microsoft litigation. It is obvious that the company's massive buying power has come into play as they shamelessly continue to utilize the surreptitious maneuvers that earned them the status of a full-blown monopoly in the first place. The company has proven time and time again that it doesn't give a fig about fair play and will use anything in its vast arsenal of unethical tactics to wipe out the very competition they stole their ideas from! So now they get a slap on the wrist and are told to back out of the educational market, an insignificant fraction of their mainstream revenue sources and ... that's it? Is this American Justice? Will Big Money have the final say in everything?

If answer is yes, then what does our future hold as a nation? Take a good look at the repetitive history of all empires and you will see that they all fell due to the greed and corruption of their leaders. We live in a time when the line between corporation and government is blurred. Microsoft has found ways to influence the highest levels of power and authority in the name of the almighty dollar. I am not a capitalism basher by any means. People should be free to get as rich as they want. I just don't want to see blatant injustice funded by deep pockets. With more resources than any terrorist network or mafia clan, Microsoft is the world's richest bully and must be taught that the court's decision does not have a price tag. I implore you to make our voices heard in Washington so that we can believe in this country again. If justice does not prevail, it is only the beginning of our great nation's inevitable collapse.

My words may sound melodramatic to some, but I firmly stand behind the conviction that we have shed our blood in vain if we struggle to defend something that is rotting from the inside out.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
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